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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am a private consumer who supports broadband competition. I chose to use a local competitive provider for my internet service because it is a small local company that I can have a true relationship with. With the option of local providers there are options which make competition for lower pricing that would not exist if the provider options are narrowed down to one or two monopoly corporations.

Previously I had a DSL service, but have moved to a fiber service which I find to be far superior. Included in my service is my telephone service as well. Seldom in my 60 years have I been happier with a service provider or utility than I am today. I am a residential customer who does exist, and I would certainly be "materially affected" without UNE service access, contrary to USTelecom's claim. I am certain there are many people in my same situation and for myself and for them I felt I needed to let you know I am in full support of broadband competition!

Thank you.

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